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REMARKS

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1. On 15 April 1954, a group of 42 soldiers led by a senior lieutenant left the Prinz Eugen Kaserne in Stockerau (O 49/S 21) toward the firing range. The soldiers had red-bordered black epaulets with the officer and most of the EM bearing artillery insignia. The Kaserne was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The Artillerie Kaserne was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. Only a few soldiers and, except for a radar, no other materiel was seen at the installation. All garage doors were closed. [REDACTED] a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets and occupied by 5 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia entered the installation.¹

2. On 6 April, [REDACTED] a troop train with personnel, trucks and 16 AT guns each passed through Bruck/Leitha at 1:20 p.m. on 5 April and at 2:18 a.m. on 6 April respectively. The two troop trains came from Stockerau and proceeded to Wallern (P 48/X 84).¹
3. On 14 April, [REDACTED] two troop trains from Wallern went to Hungary via Hegyeshalom (P 48/Y 06), and another troop train via Pannhagen (P 48/X 84). Each train carried personnel, 12 AT guns and trucks.²

1. [REDACTED] Comment. The vehicles at the Prinz Eugen Kaserne belonged to the 23d AAA Div. As the installation was only lightly occupied, the bulk of the troops probably went to the Apetlon AAA Range, with the movement including the two troop trains observed on 6 April 1954.

2. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop trains probably carried units from Hungary which, after termination of firing practice at the Apetlon AAA Range, returned to their home stations.

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